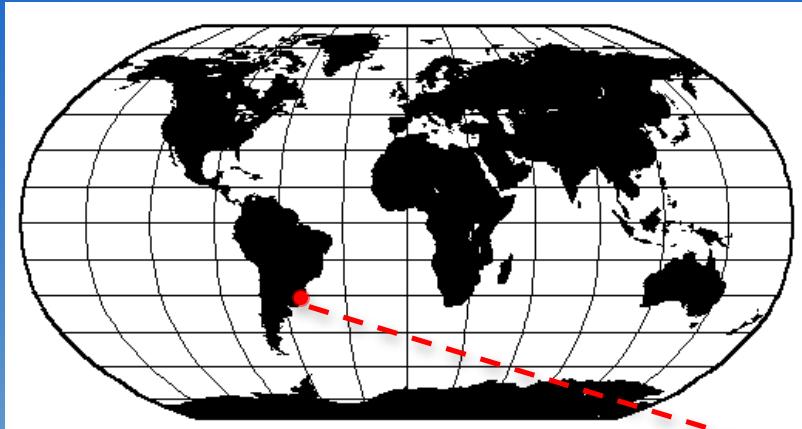




# HPLC pigment measurements at Federal University of Rio Grande (FURG), Brazil

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# FURG Location in South Brazil



# THE EQUIPMENT

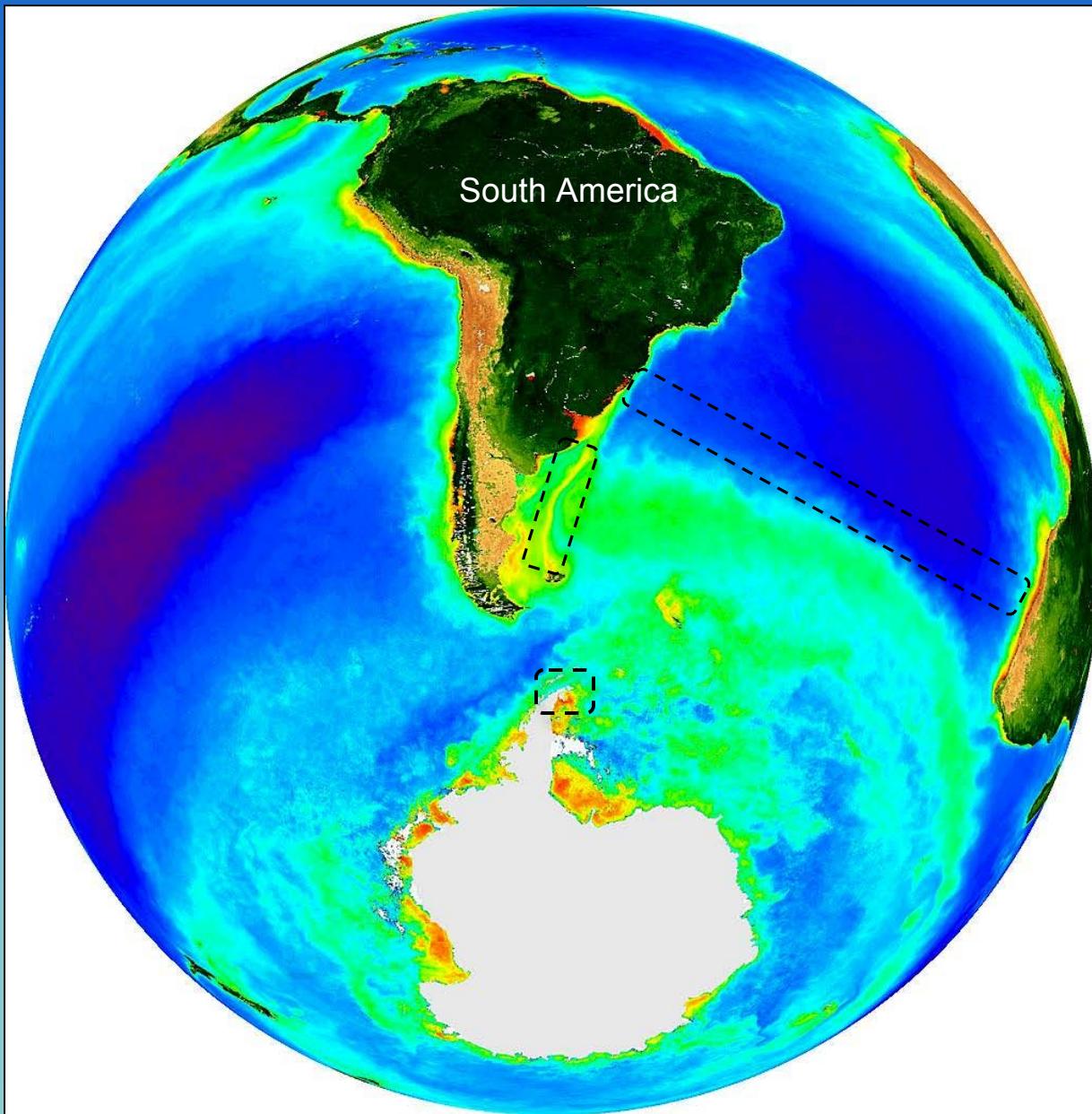
## “Shimadzu Prominence” HPLC

(to be used mainly in research/monitoring)



- Solvent delivery module
- Autosampler:
  - Injection volume: 0.1 to 100 µL
  - Sample cooler: 4 to 40°C
  - Injection volume repeatability (RSD < 0.3 %)
  - Highest speed (15s injection cycle)
- Column Oven:
  - SunFire™ C8, 3.5 µm, 4.6x150mm column (Waters)
  - Temperature setting range: 4°C – 85°C
  - Temperature control precision: ± 0.1°C
- Photodiode Array UV-VIS detector:
  - Measurement wavelength range: 190 to 800 nm
  - Cell temperature control: 9°C to 50°C
- Spectrofluorometric detector

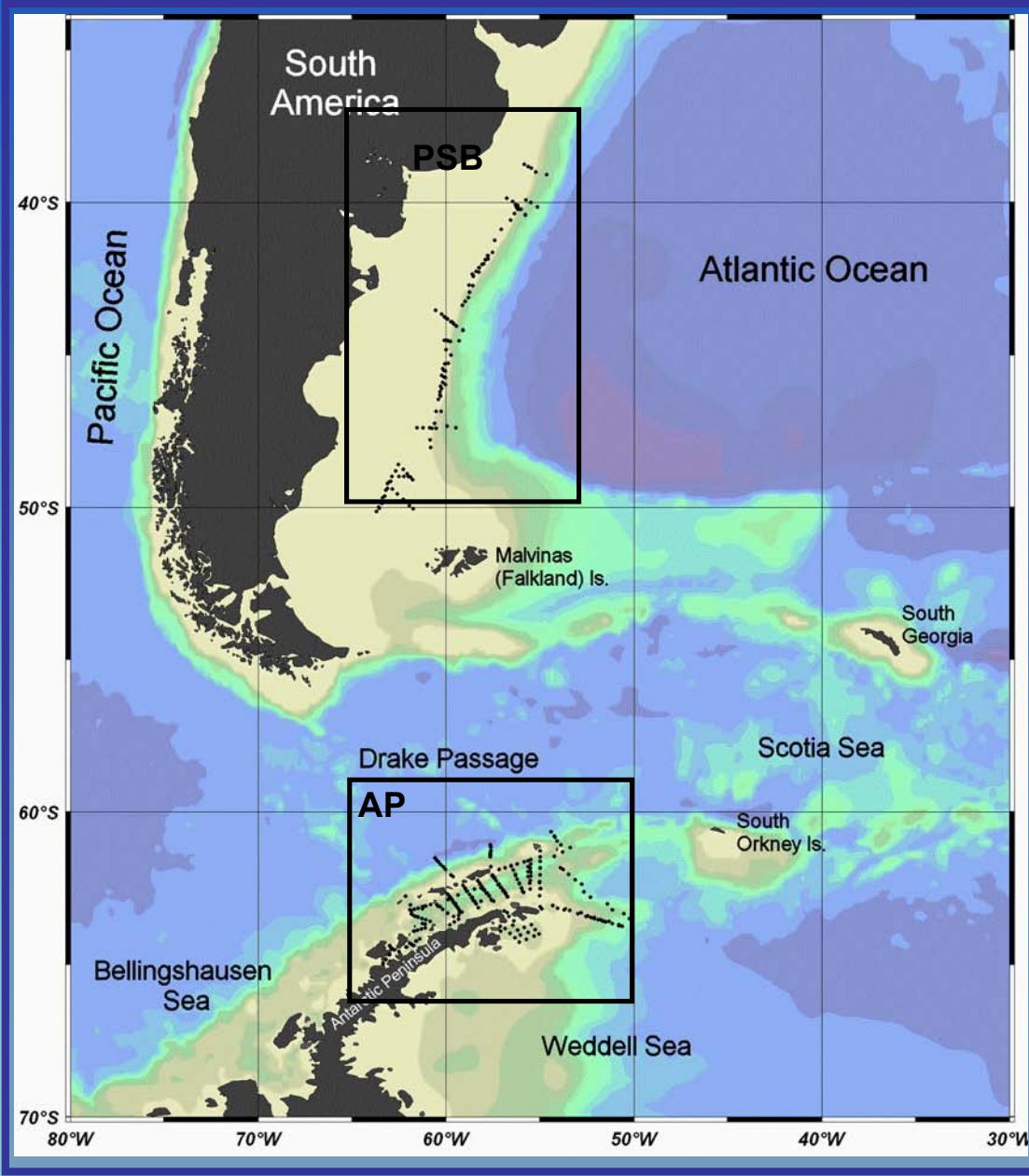
# STUDY REGIONS



# **HPLC vs FLUOROMETER**

## **Chla measurements**

# SAMPLINGS FOR HPLC vs FLUOROMETER measurements



## Patagonian Shelf-Break (PSB)

215 samples

Spring	Oct	2007
	Oct	2008
Summer	Jan	2008
	Jan	2009

## Antarctic Peninsula (AP)

446 samples

Summer	Feb-Mar	2008
	Feb-Mar	2009

## DATA AND METHODS

### Chlorophyll data - Fluorometer

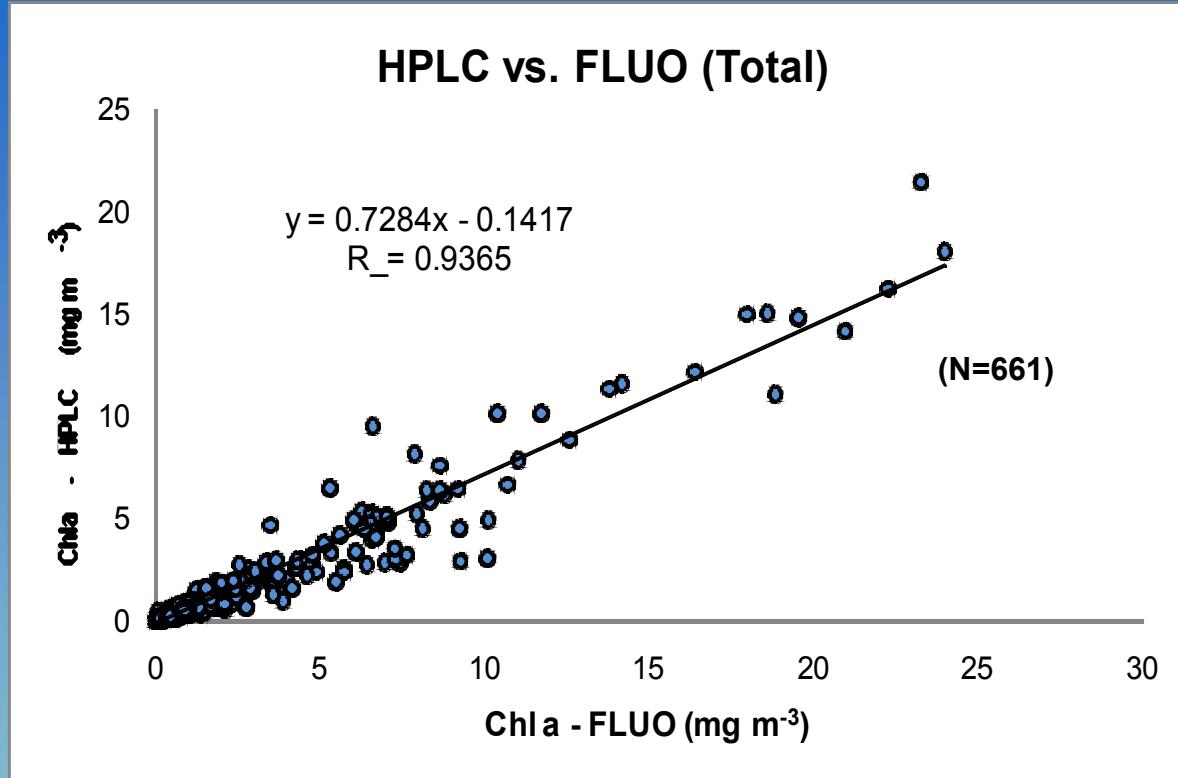
- Surface water samples for chlorophyll determinations were filtered onto 25 mm Whatman GF/F filters.
- The pigment was extracted in 90% acetone and fluorescence determined in a Turner Designs TD-700 fluorometer following the non-acidification method (Welschmeyer 1981).

### Chlorophyll data - HPLC

- Method of FCUL/Univ. Lisbon (V. Brotas)

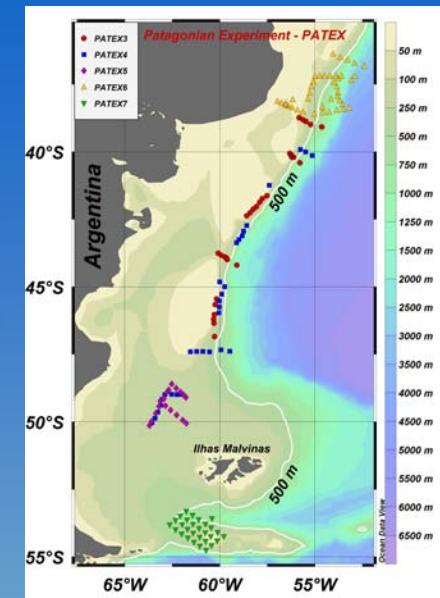
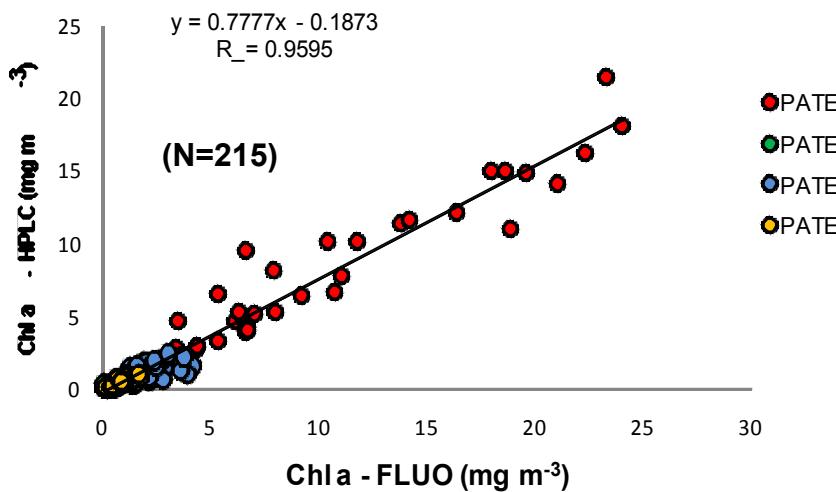
### Remote Sensing / Match-up

- Chl-a from MODIS/Aqua Standard OC3M algorithm
- Daily and eight-day 4 km resolution level-3 standard mapped image (SMI)
- Spatial: Chl-a value of the nearest pixel to the sample site
- Temporal: Within the same or 8 day period of the image

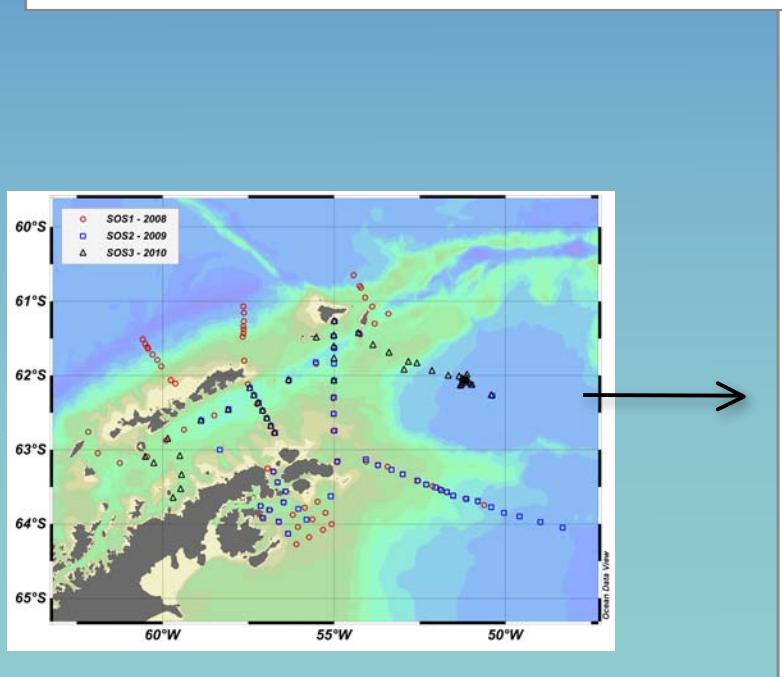
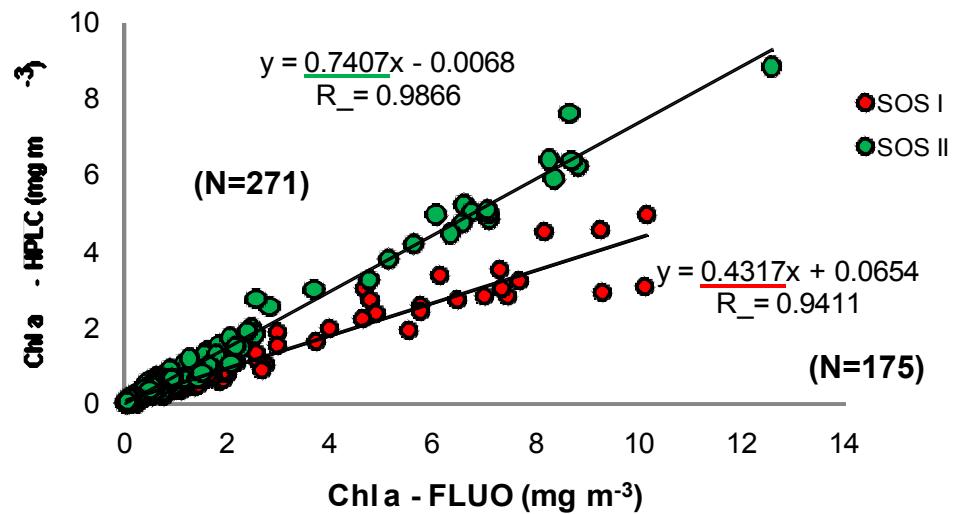


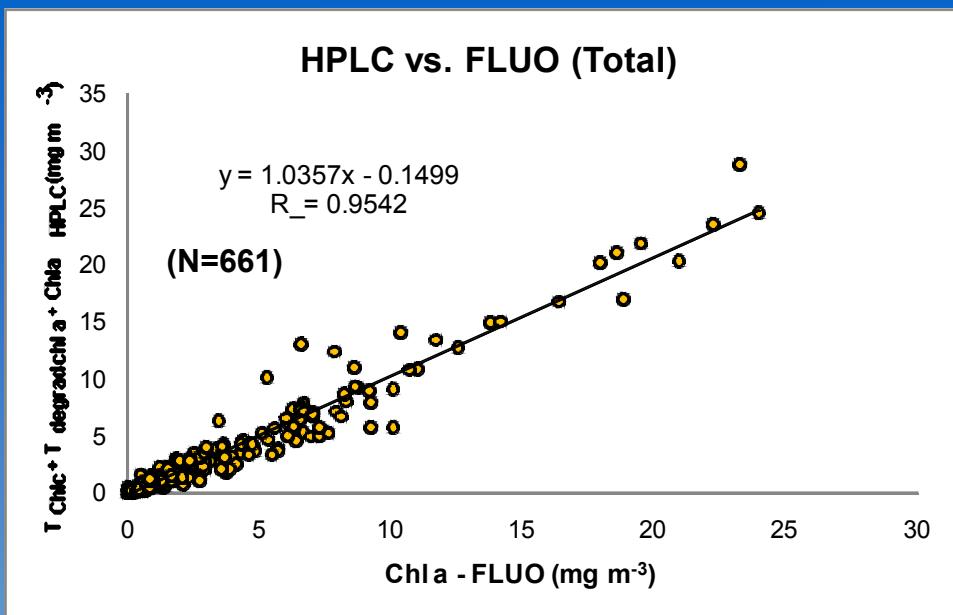
Chl c ?  
Degradation Prods ?

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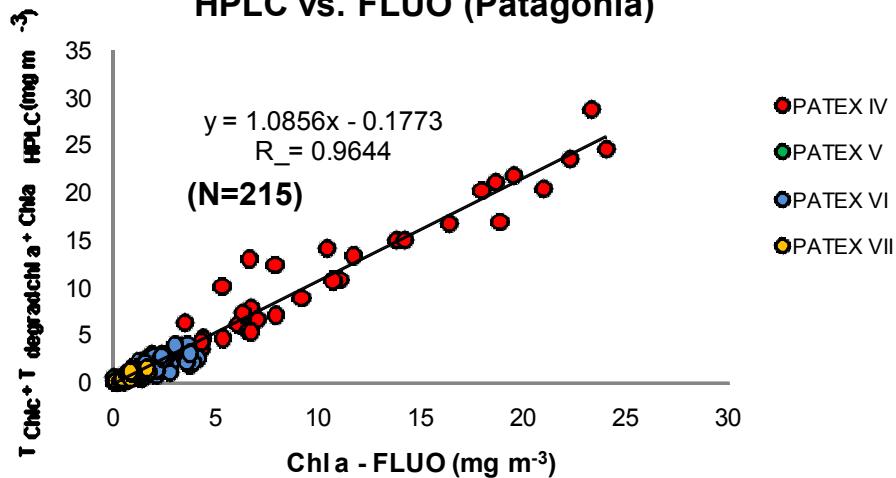


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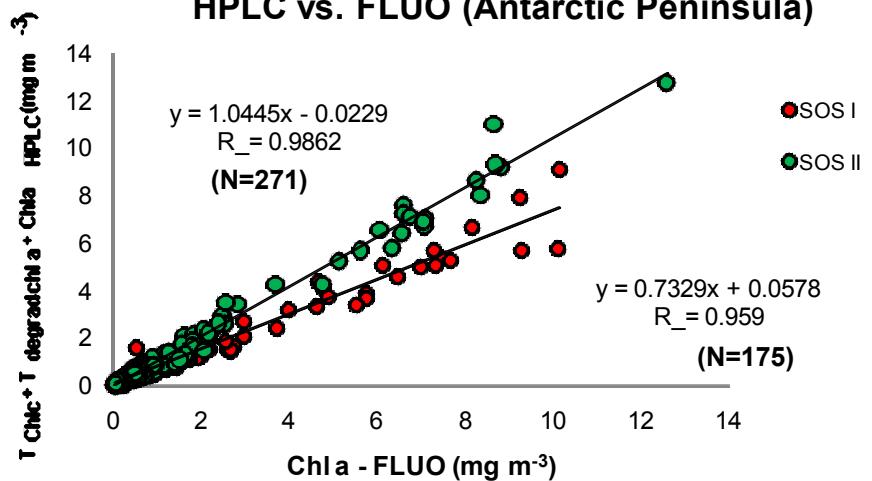




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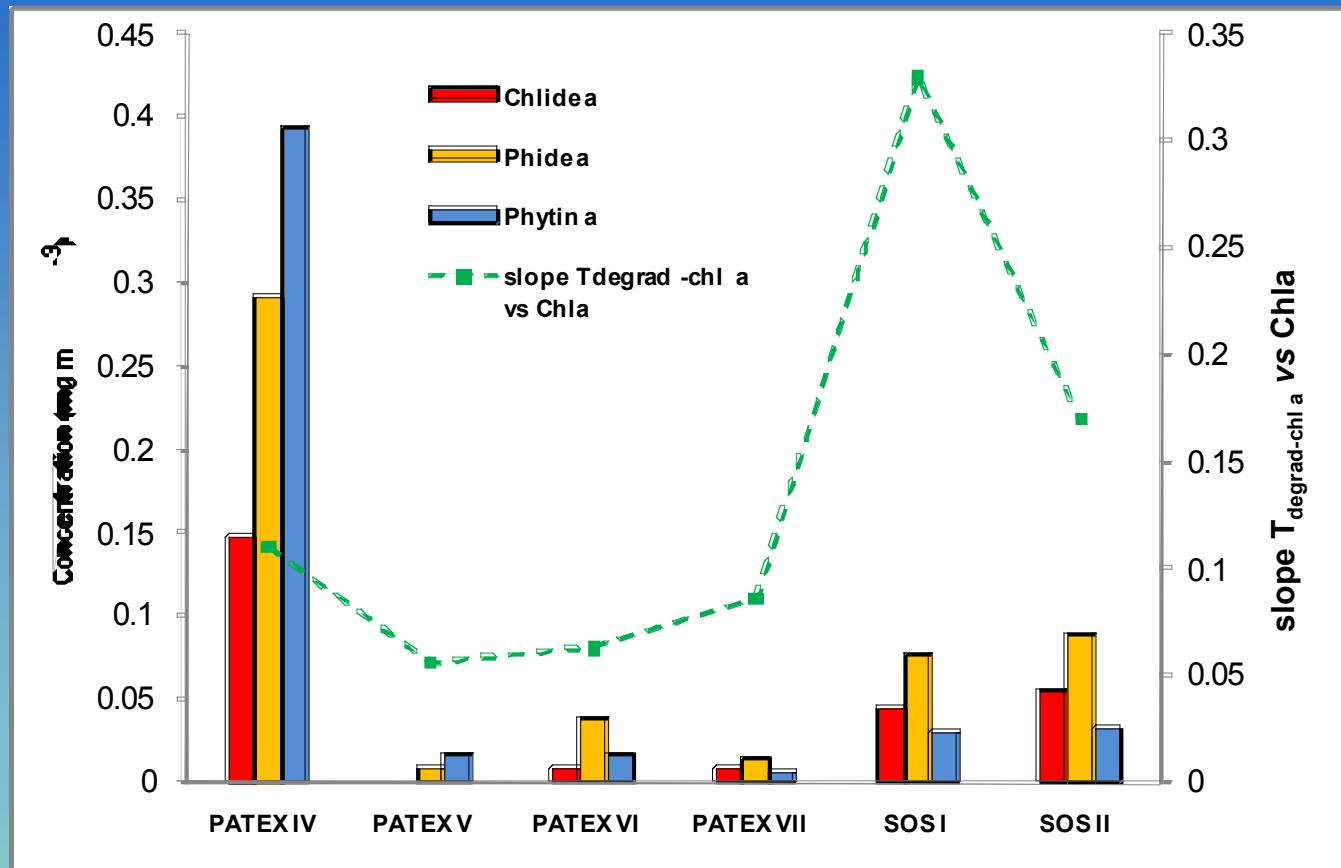


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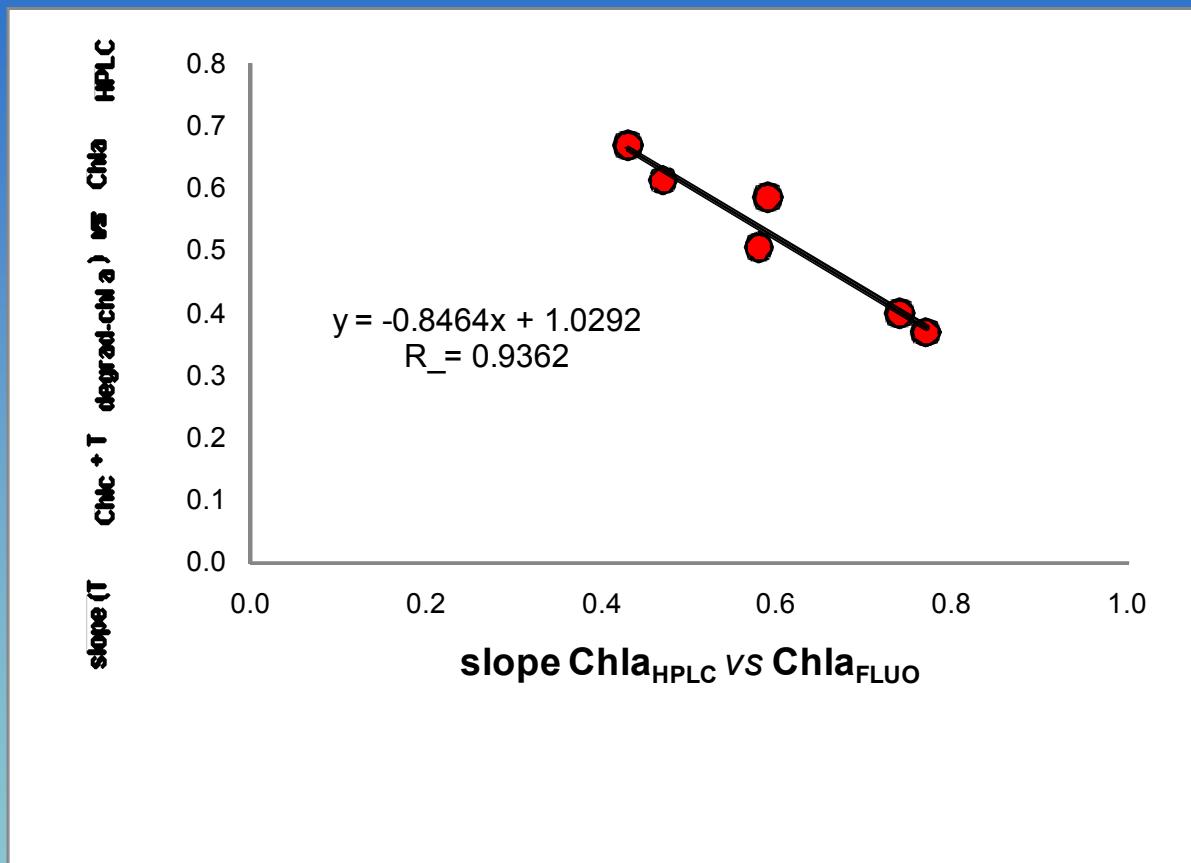


- PATEX IV (October 2007):  $y = 1.07x + 0.07$ ;  $R^2=0.95$ ;  $N=61$
- PATEX V (January 2008):  $y = 0.96 - 0.097$ ;  $R^2=0.80$ ;  $N=35$
- PATEX VI (October 2008):  $y = 0.80x + 0.17$ ;  $R^2=0.68$ ;  $N=68$
- PATEX VII (January 2009):  $y = 0.92x - 0.07$ ;  $R^2=0.75$ ;  $N=68$

## Degradation products / chlorophyll a



# Total chlorophyll c ( $T_{\text{Chl } c}$ ) or total degradation products of chlorophyll a ( $T_{\text{degrad-chl } a}$ )?

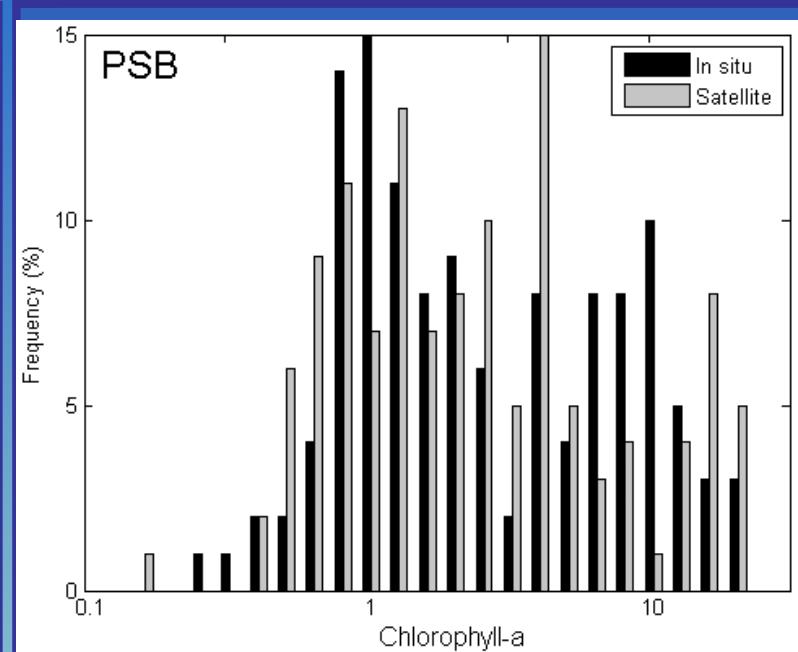
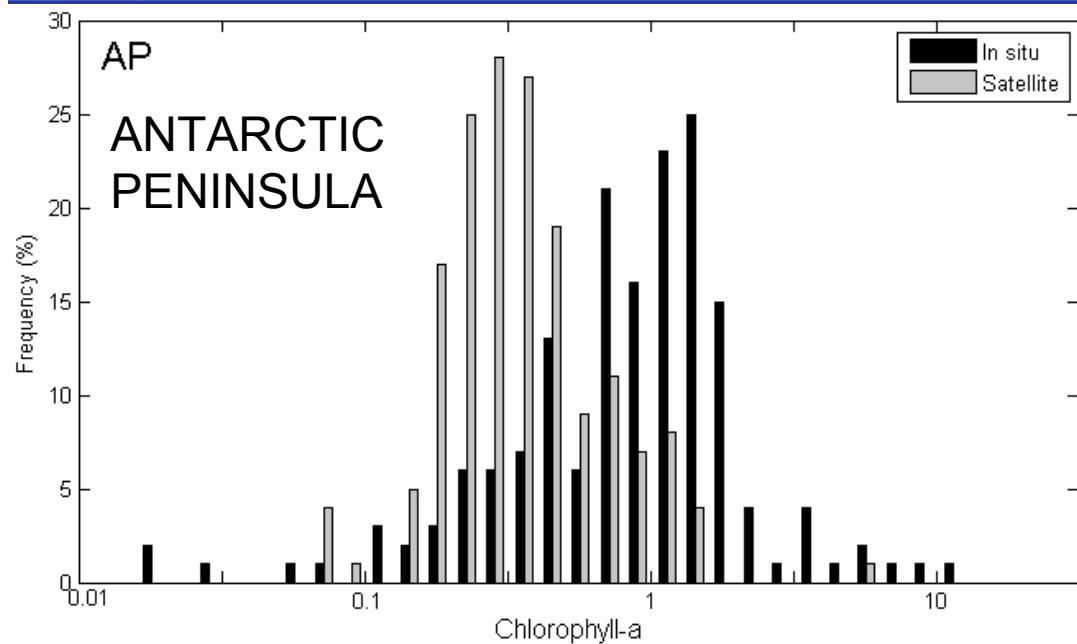


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# SATELLITE MATCH-UP RESULTS

## Chlorophyll-a (mg/m<sup>3</sup>)



In Situ mean 1.24

Satellite mean 0.45

In Situ range 0.018 - 11.78

Satellite range 0.073 - 5.11

In Situ mean 4.45

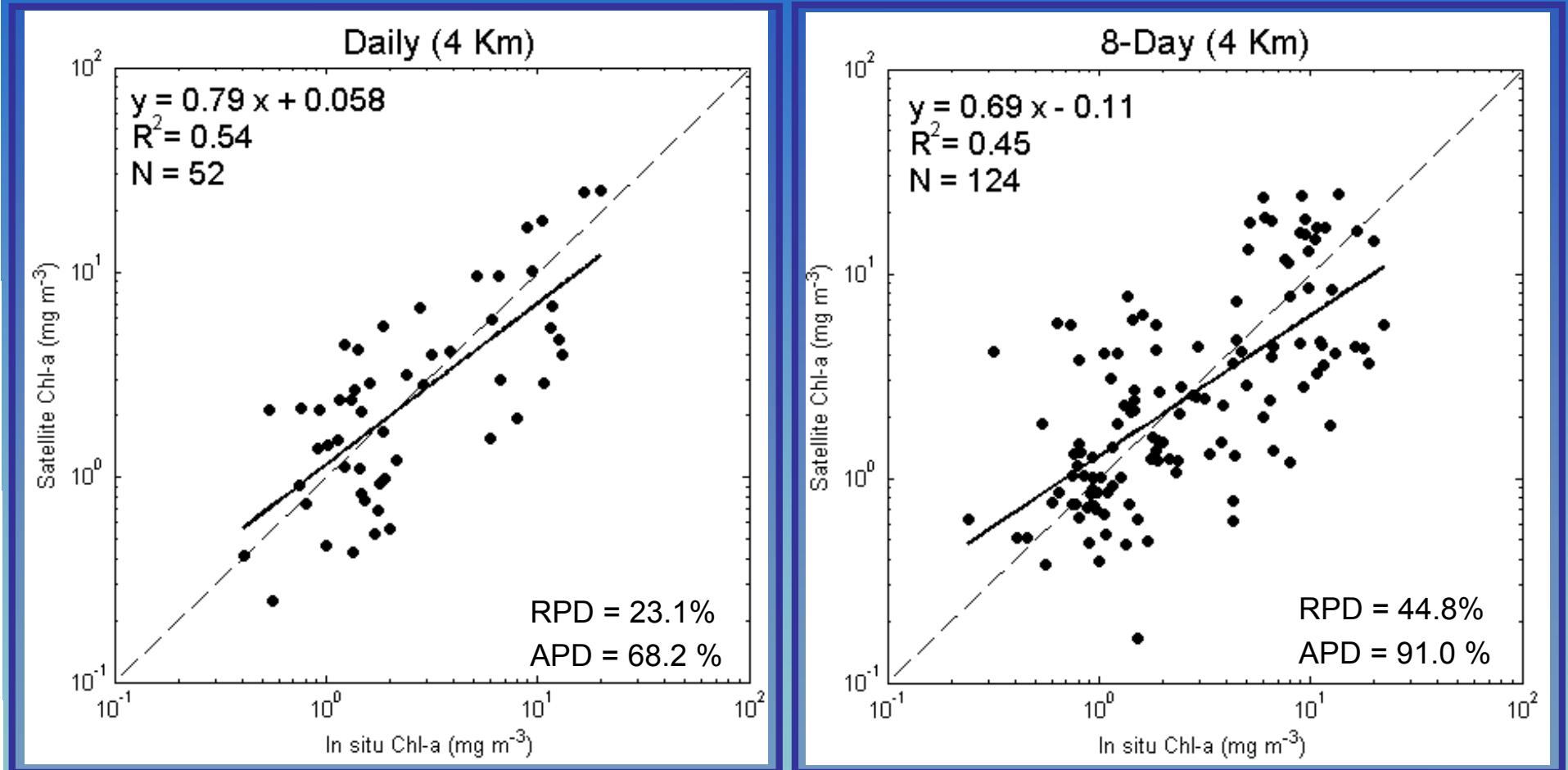
Satellite mean 4.54

In Situ range 0.241 - 22.3

Satellite range 0.165 - 24.34

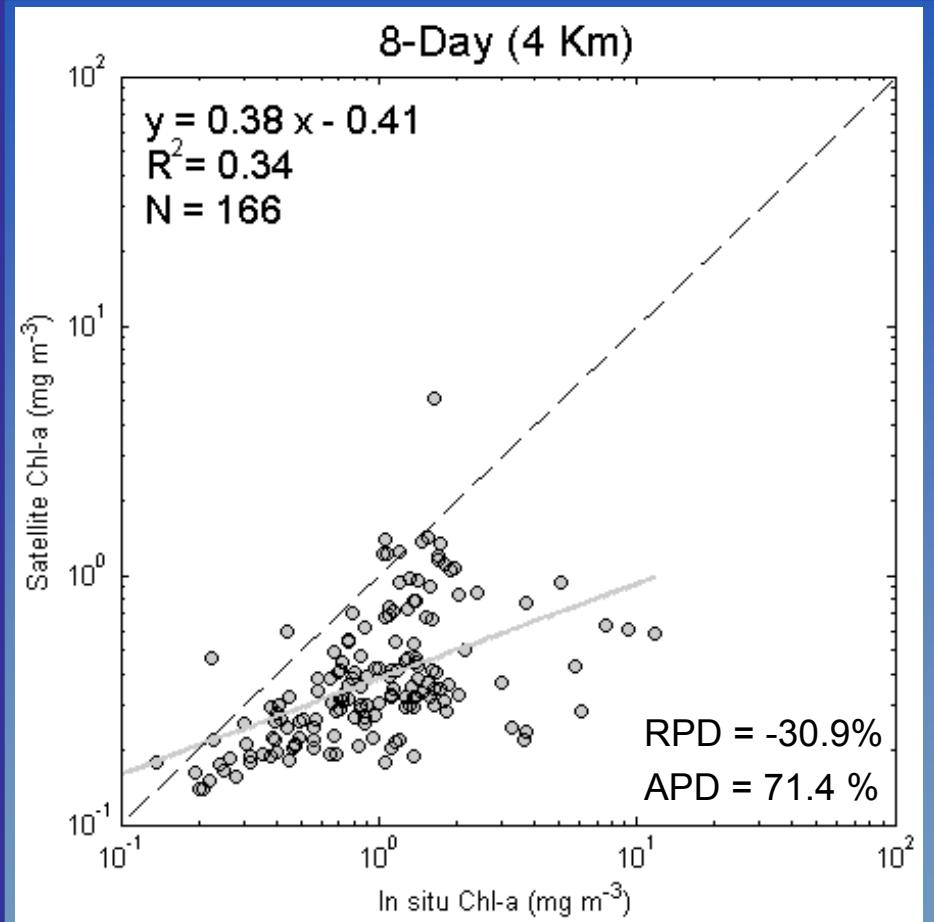
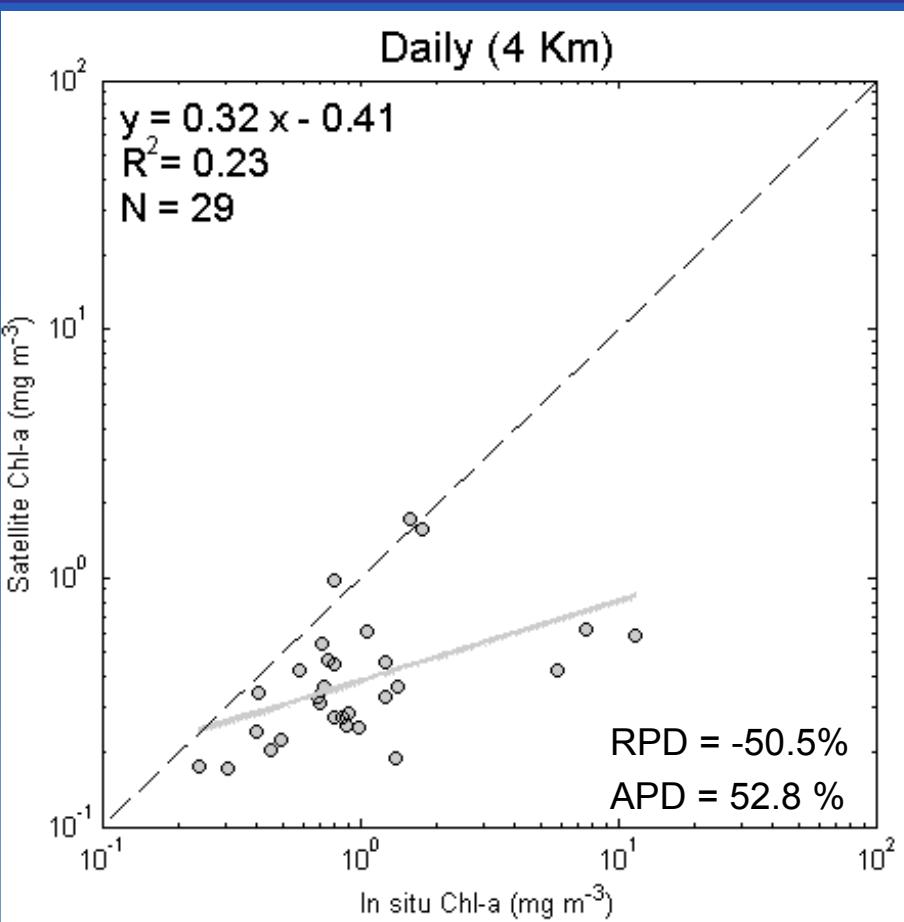
## RESULTS

### PATAGONIAN SHELF-BREAK



## RESULTS

### ANTARCTIC PENINSULA



$$RPD = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{n=1}^N \left( \frac{(Chla_{sat} - Chla_{situ})}{Chla_{situ}} \right) \times 100 \quad ; APD = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{n=1}^N \left| \frac{(Chla_{sat} - Chla_{situ})}{Chla_{situ}} \right| \times 100$$

## RESULTS

Patagonian Shelf-Break (PSB)

Antarctic Peninsula (AP)

MODIS OC3M

Tend to overestimate low Chl-a and  
underestimate Chl > 2.0 mg m<sup>-3</sup>

Tend to underestimate in situ Chl-a

Linear relationship

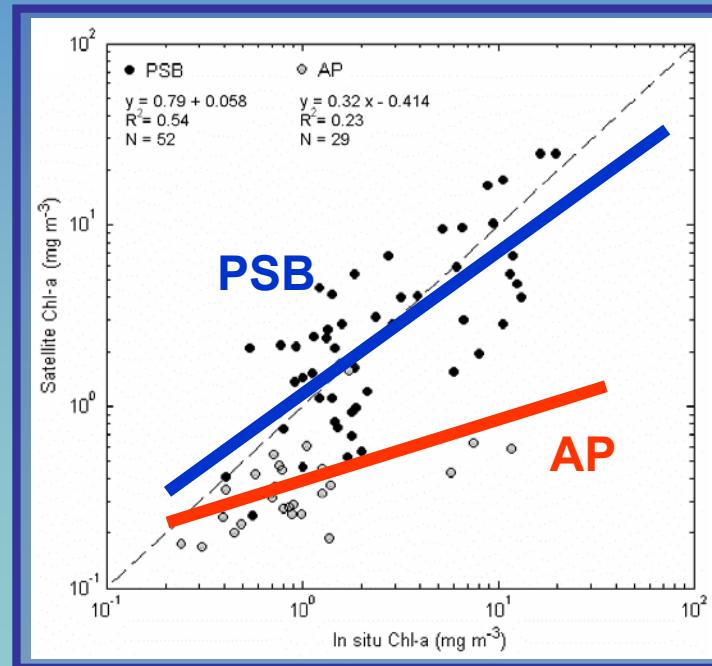
R<sup>2</sup> = 0.5

R<sup>2</sup>=0.23

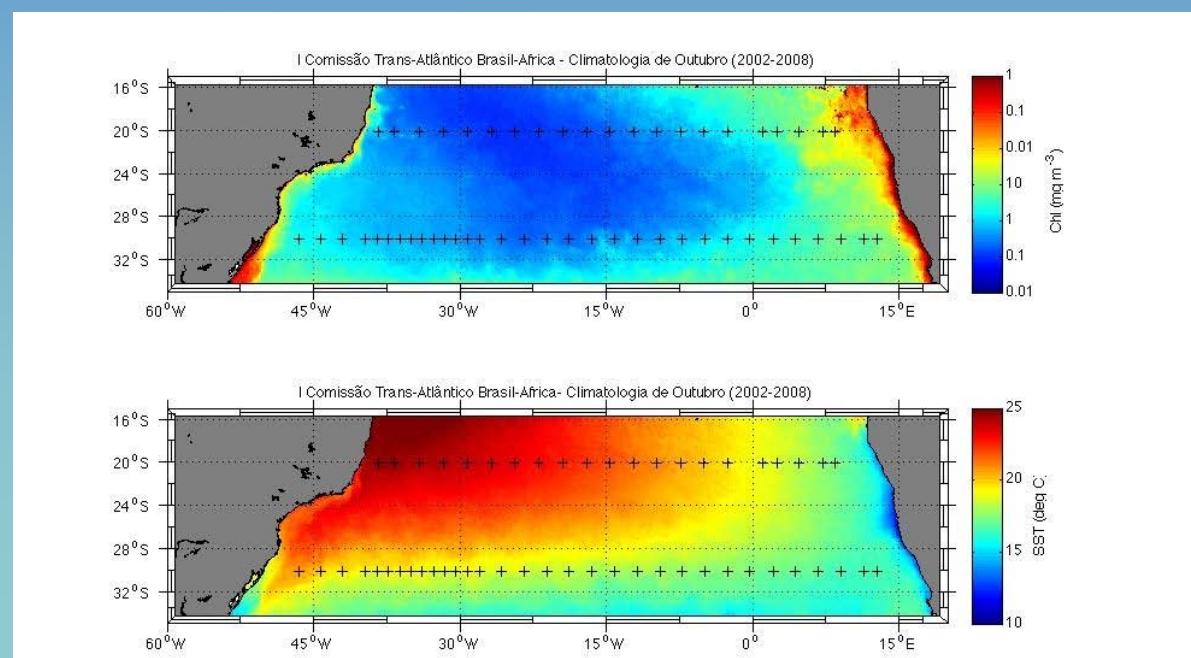
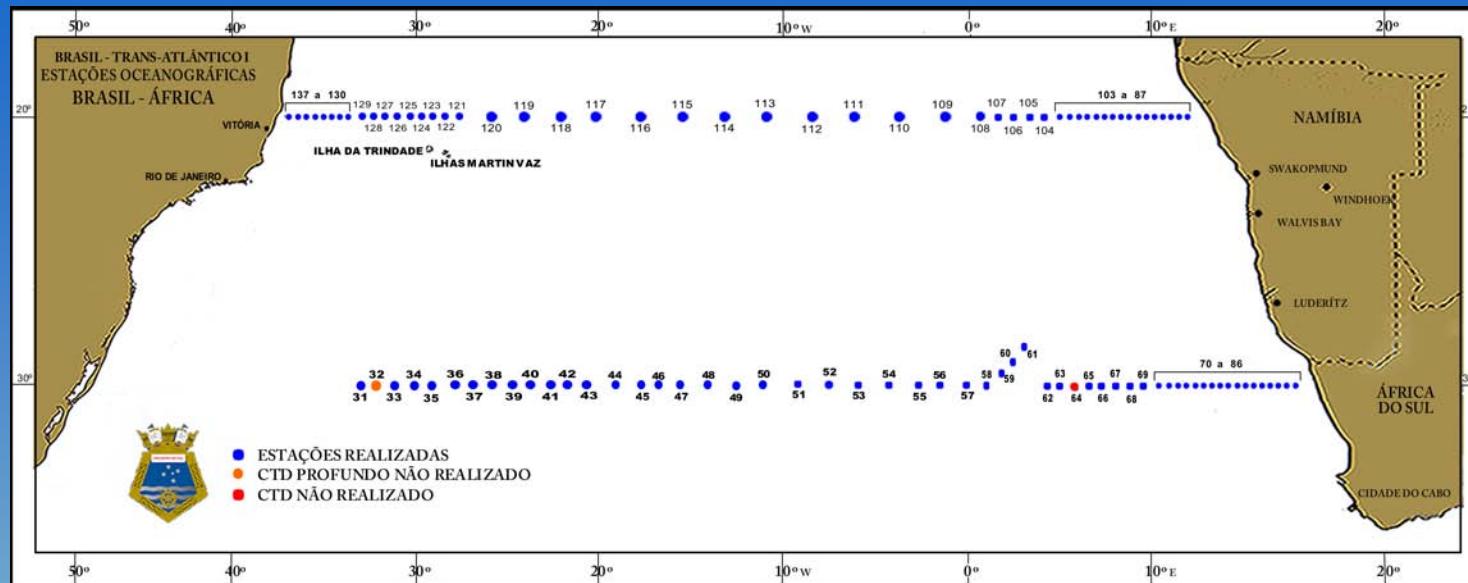
High uncertainty

APD ~ 68%

APD ~ 70%

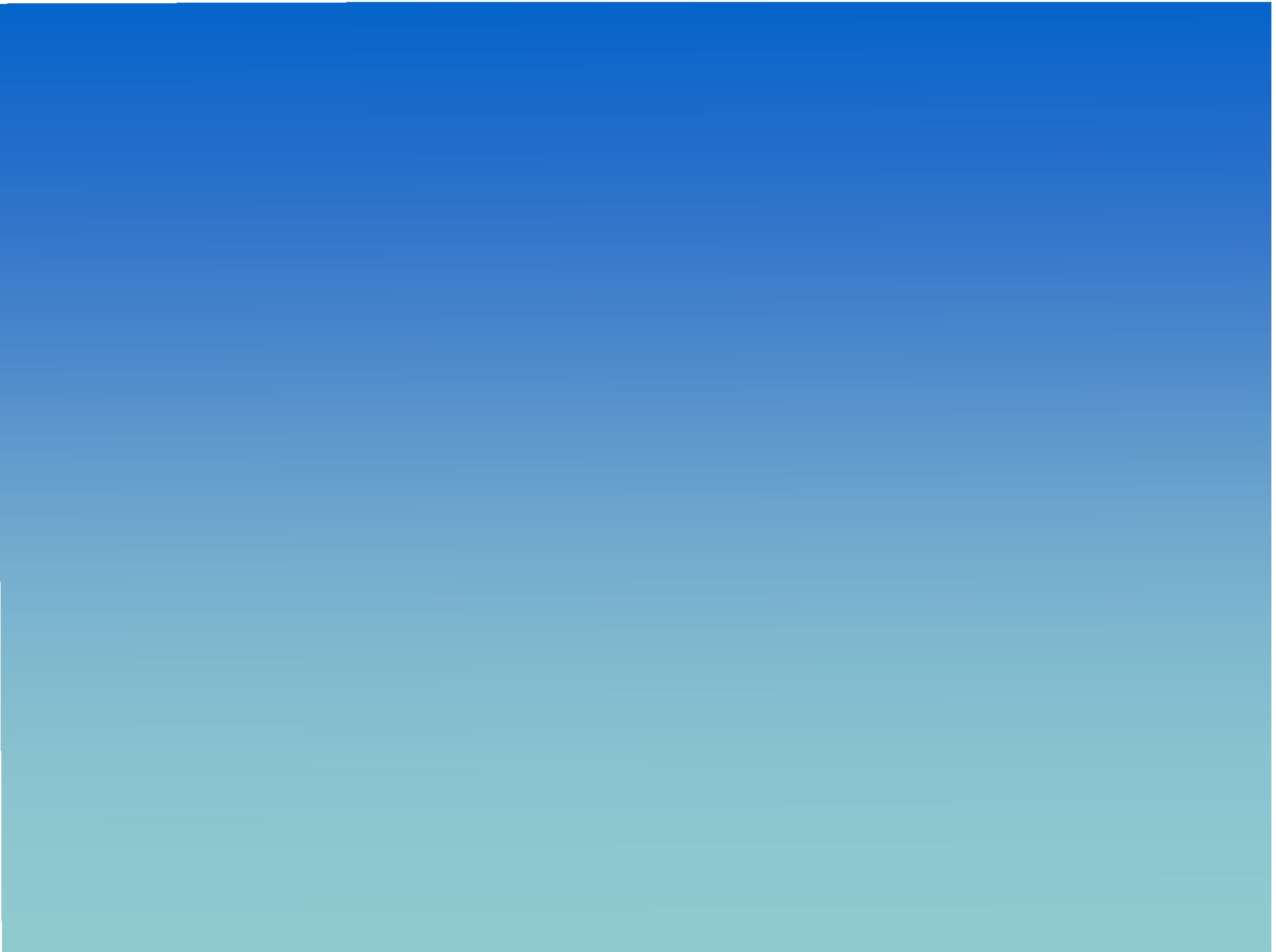


# FUTURE WORK



# Thank you

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## Concluding remarks

- Global empirical algorithms perform better in the PSB than in the AP, though the uncertainty in the satellite estimates in both regions is high
- Knowledge of the bio-optical properties and its spatial and temporal variability is needed to further develop a regional algorithm
- We are currently measuring several bio-optical properties during the International Polar Year (Project SOS-CLIMATE) to implement **semi-analytical algorithms** to derive
  - chlorophyll
  - dissolved organic matter
  - inorganic particulate material

from space

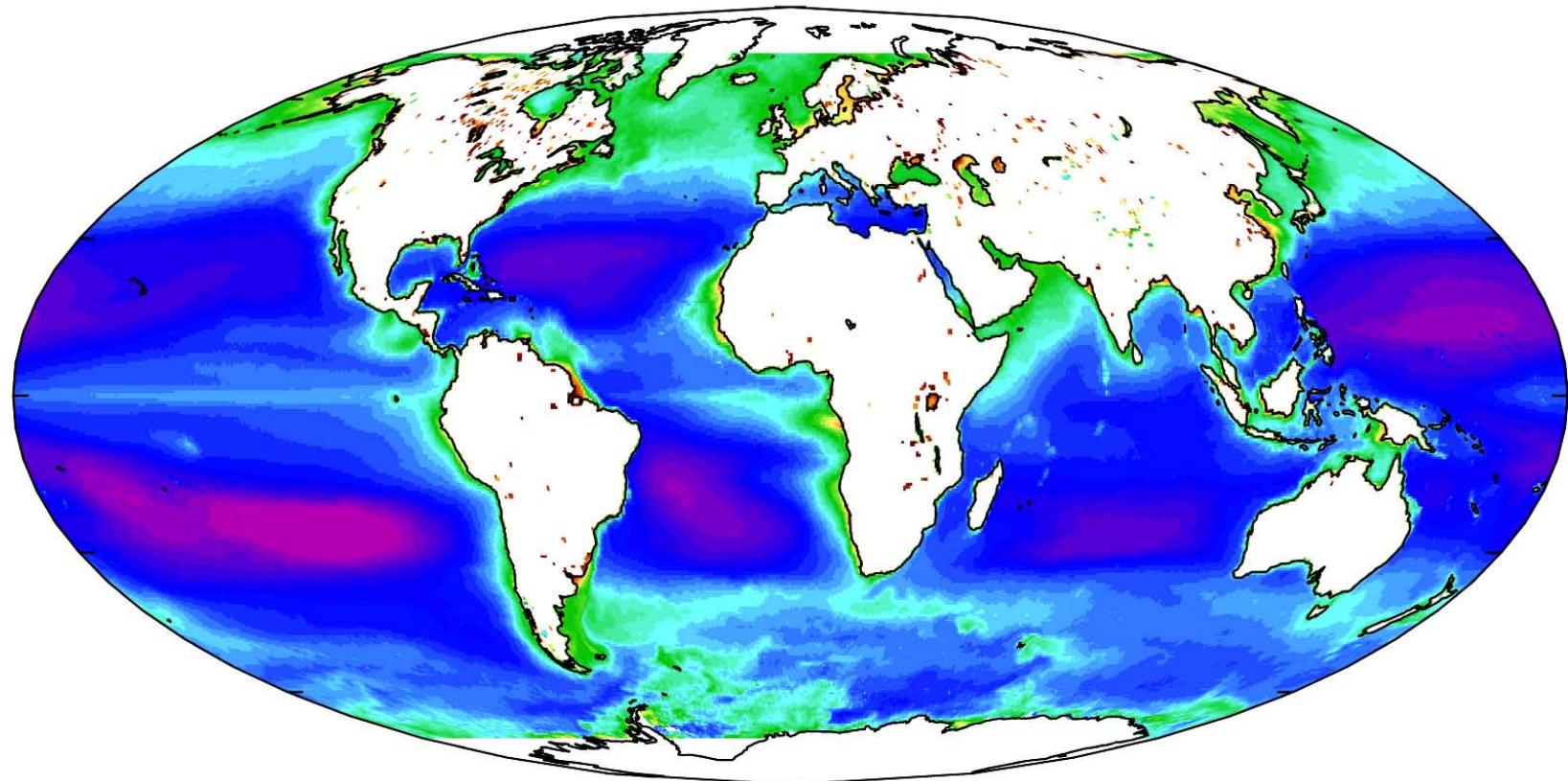
## Possible causes of mismatch

- In situ samples are point measurements while satellite pixels cover a larger area ( $4 \times 4 \text{ km}^2$ ).
- In situ and satellite measurements are not strictly concurrent in time
- Specific optical properties of the region

## E.g. Antarctic Peninsula

- Distinct optical characteristics of the water particles, including phytoplankton assemblages (Dierssen and Smith 2000)
- Fluorometric methods may result in biased results, particularly in the presence of certain accessory pigments (Marrari et al. RSE 2006)

# Global Mean Image of Sea-Surface Chlorophyll



Average sea-surface chlorophyll, 1998 to 2006 [ $\text{mg chl m}^{-3}$ ]



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0.3

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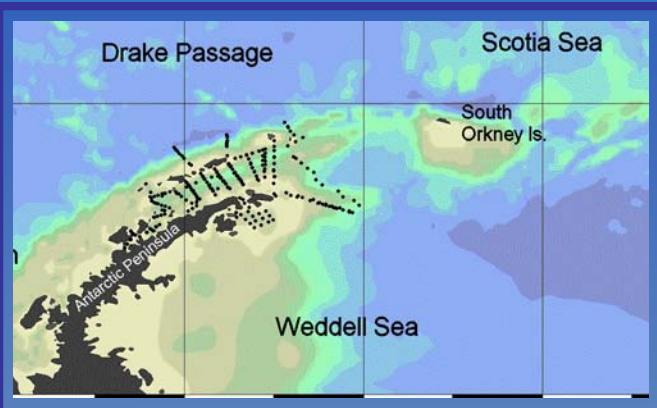
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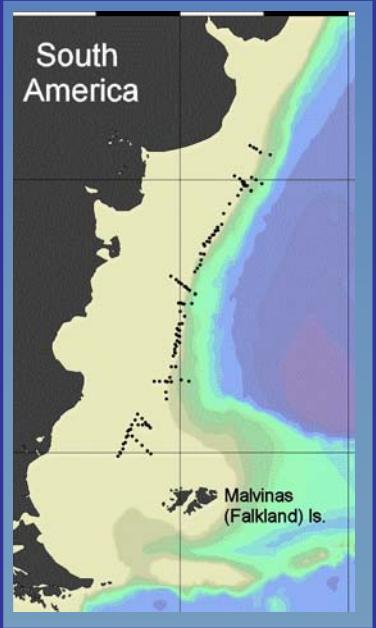
# INTRODUCTION

## Southern Ocean



### Antarctic Peninsula (AP)

- One of the most productive areas of the SO
- Supports large concentrations of phytoplankton, zooplankton, seabirds, seals, and whales

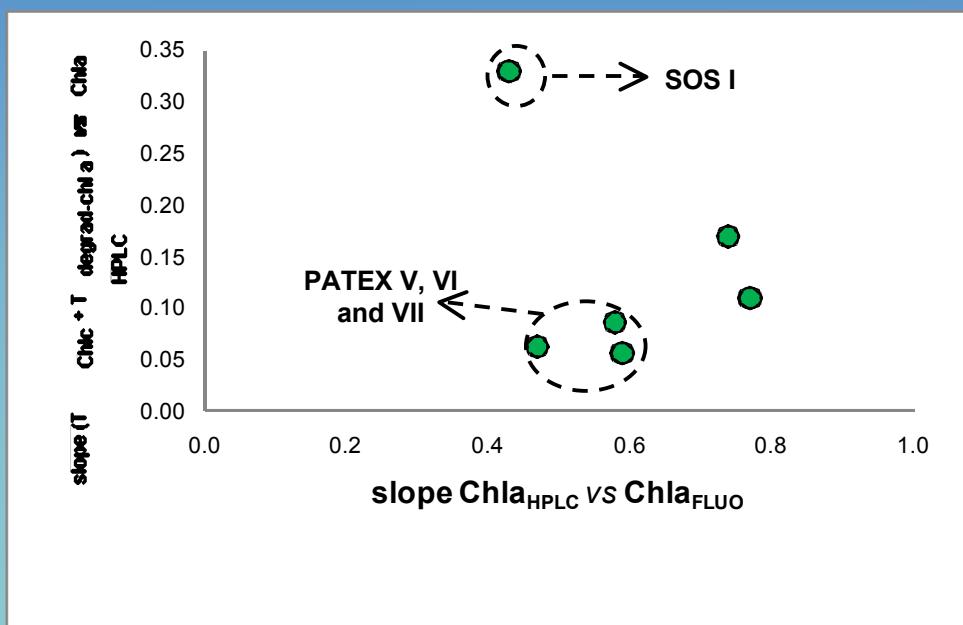


### Patagonian Shelf-Break (PSB)

- Strongly influenced by nutrients supplied by Malvinas Current
- Frontal areas associated with intense ocean CO<sub>2</sub> uptake in spring-summer ( $\uparrow$  Chl-a - strong CO<sub>2</sub> sink)

# Total chlorophyll c ( $T_{Chl\ c}$ ) or total degradation products of chlorophyll a ( $T_{degrad-chl\ a}$ )?

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			$Y = ax + b$	$R^2$	$Y = ax + b$	$R^2$
PATEX IV	Oct-07	61	$y = 0.77x - 0.06$	0.95	$y = 0.11x + 0.25$	0.72
PATEX V	Jan-08	35	$y = 0.59x - 0.003$	0.78	$y = 0.056x - 0.01$	0.62
SOS I	Feb-08	271	$y = 0.43x + 0.065$	0.94	$y = 0.33x - 0.05$	0.84
PATEX VI	Oct-08	68	$y = 0.47x + 0.19$	0.63	$y = 0.063x - 0.003$	0.38
PATEX VII	Jan-09	51	$y = 0.58x - 0.01$	0.74	$y = 0.086x - 0.001$	0.16
SOS II	Feb-09	175	$y = 0.74x - 0.007$	0.99	$y = 0.17x - 0.005$	0.92

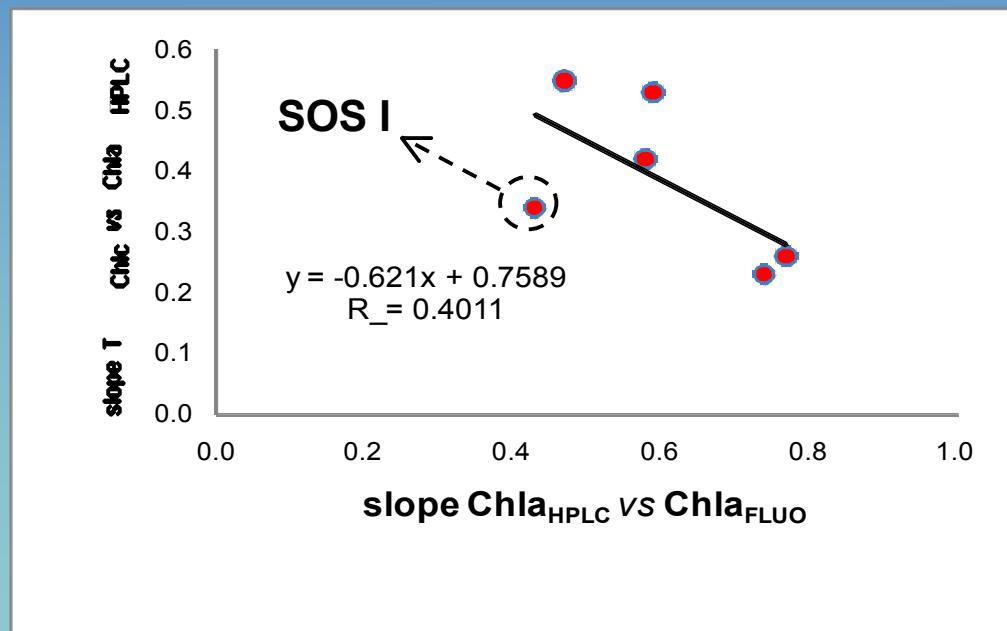


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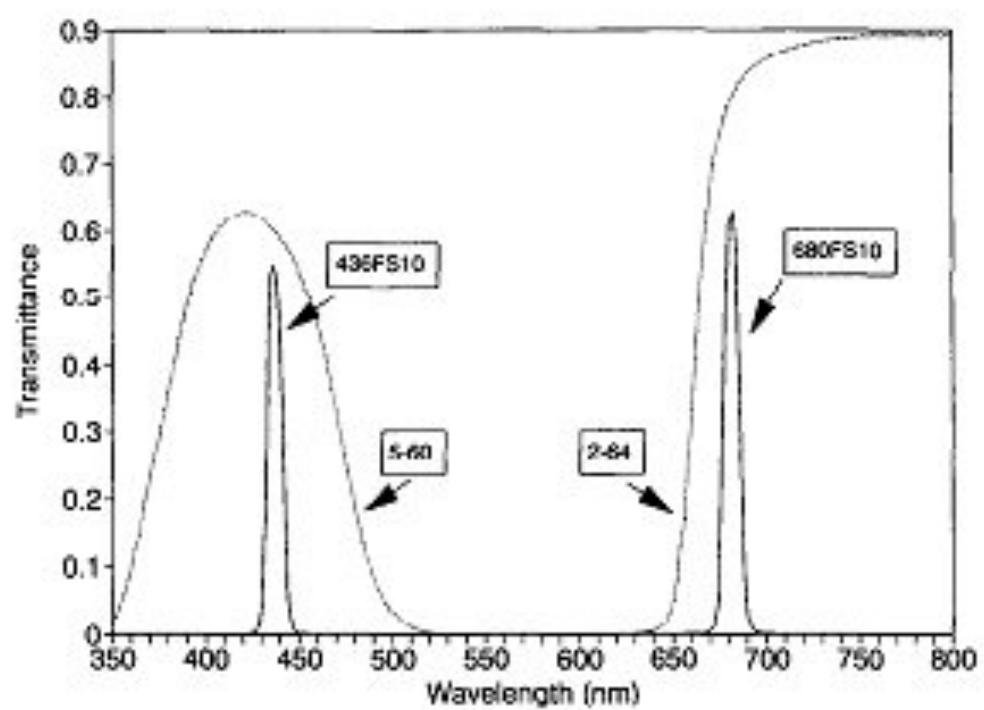


Fig. 3. Transmittance characteristics of excitation-emission filters used in conventional fluorometric acidification technique (Corning 5-60/Corning 2-64) and in the newly proposed method (436FS10/680FS10 interference filters, Andover Corp.).